

Alaska TraCS Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

August 18, 2008

AST's Conference Room

5700 Tudor Road, Anchorage

10:00 am – 12:30 pm

Attendees:

- Ulf Petersen, Chair, MSCVE, DOT&PF
- Carl Gonder, Data Systems, DOT&PF
- Diane Schenker, AK Court System
- John Rockwell, APD
- Lance Ahern, DPS
- Maxine Andrews, Chenega
- Melissa Steen, Chenega
- Bill Shary, Chenega
- Cindy Cashen, AHSO, DOT&PF
- Capt. Hans Brinke, AST
- Stan Herrera, CTG
- Katie Johnson, AK Railroad Police
- Joanna Bradford, AHSO, DOT&PF

On Phone:

- Kerry Hennings, Division of Motor Vehicles, DOA
- Chief Greg Browning, Juneau Police Dept

I. Internal Committee Business.

A. Approval of July 22 Meeting Minutes.

The meeting notes were approved by consensus.

B. Update on Action Items From July 22 Meeting.

Policy Oversight Committee. Colonel Holloway informed the committee that discussions among the division directors were taking place, that 7 departments were involved at this time, and that the first objective was to decide if the Policy Oversight Committee is a good idea.

II. New Brief Business

A. National Steering Committee Meeting: Chicago, Sep. 18-19.

Carl invited the committee to contribute issues for discussion at the meeting in Chicago.

B. Web Site: Subcommittee to Define Procedures and Rules.

A subcommittee was formed consisting of Carl (Chair) and Chief Browning and possibly one more member (to be determined).

III. Future of TraCS in Alaska (Part 2): New Governance Model

A. New Organizational Chart.

The committee continued the discussion from the August 18th meeting on the new organizational chart.

Motion: Lance moved that the committee accept the organizational chart as developed by the committee during this meeting. Diane seconded. Because those attending the meeting by telephone could not see the new proposed organizational chart, Carl suggested that the chart be sent out with an email ballot to confirm acceptance.

Note to file: This action item was completed after the meeting (by Ulf). Several people cast votes in favor of accepting the chart. Then, Chief Browning voiced concern over the way the AACOP TraCS Coordinator was positioned. Diane withdrew her support for the motion and without this support voting was halted to comply with the standing practice that all motions must have support from at least two voting members to be considered by the committee. Chief Browning then sent out a revised draft organizational chart, showing a new placement for the AACOP TraCS coordinator. This chart was supported by Cindy but did not generate any additional comments.

Action Item (Ulf): This item will appear again at the next meeting. A WebEx session is in prep. to allow teleconference attendees to view proposed changes to the chart as they occur.

B. Version 3 of the TraCS Citation.

In Kat's absence, Stan talked about the phased approach to the implementation for TraCS. Ulf presented the proposed testing scenario of version 3 of the TraCS citation involving AST, Com. Veh. Enforc., Fairbanks PD, and Juneau PD.

Motion: Carl moved to accept the testing involving only the four agencies with training starting in September, assuming the citation gets done. Cindy seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

C. DPS TraCS Coordinator: If the Steering Committee endorses the lead agency concept, how much of Steering Committee authority should be delegated to the TraCS Coordinator?

Motion: After a brief debate, Diane moved that the discussion be tabled until the next meeting and that we put this item on the next meeting's agenda as a suggestion of who does what. Lance seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Alaska TraCS Logo: Evaluation of Alternatives and Discussion.

Carl introduced the committee to a proposed TraCS logo that he had developed.

Motion: Lance moved to table the discussion until we have more ideas on the table. Cindy seconded. The motion was amended with a directive to submit alternatives to Maxine by August 31st and publish the options for all to see. The motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting. September 24th 10:00-12:30.

Meeting adjourned: 12:26 pm